Introduced by Assembly Member Daucher

February 22, 2005

An act to relating to schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1228, as introduced, Daucher. K-12 High-Speed network Program.

Existing law establishes the Digital High School Education Technology Grant Program of 1997, consisting of one-time installation grants and ongoing technology support and staff training grants, to provide all high school pupils with basic computer skills, to improve pupil achievement in all academic subjects, and to increase collaboration among high schools, private industry, postsecondary educational institutions, and community organizations. The existing Archie-Hudson and Cunneen School Technology Revenue Bond Act authorizes the California School Finance Authority to issue bonds to finance, among other things, the establishment of computer-based networks and telecommunications systems for instructional purposes by school districts.

This bill would establish a K-12 High Speed Network program, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The K-12 High Speed Network is hereby 2 established. It is the intent of the Legislature that the program

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shall be overseen by a governance structure that accomplishes goals that include, but are not limited to, the following:

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- (a) Development of a long-term information technology, implementation, and business plan for the program, including an analysis of the benefits and risks of integrating other statewide programs with the K-12 High Speed Network.
- (b) On-going cost oversight of the program, including mechanisms to control statewide costs and exposure.
- (c) On-going technical oversight of the program, including external evaluation and independent validation and verification, where appropriate.